



**CITIZENS BOND REVIEW COMMISSION
ONE CIVIC CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM, SECOND FLOOR
7447 E. INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85251
MAY 3, 2001**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Bernadette Phillips-Garcia, Chairman
Steven Sagert, Vice Chairman
Larry Beckner
William Heckman
Thomas Lanin
William Magoon
Gregg Maxon
Lisa Samuel
Sue Sisley
Lee Tannenbaum
William Welch
Sam West

ABSENT: Linda Milhaven
Eric Schechter (excused)

STAFF: Judy Frost, Budget Manager
Al Dreska, General Manager, Municipal Services Department
John Little, General Manager, Transportation Department
Amy MacAulay, Transportation Department
Bill Exham, General Manager, Community Services Department
Don Hadder, Planning Systems Department
Tim Conner, Planning Systems Department
Roger Klingler, City Manager's Office

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Scottsdale Citizens Bond Review Commission was called to order by Chairperson Phillips-Garcia at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVAL

An amendment was made to the February 22, 2001 minutes. On page two, -second paragraph, referring to receipt of matters of business by the designee of the Chairperson, the time period of (5) days, was changed to (10) days.

Commissioner Samuel moved to approve the February 22, 2001 minutes as amended. Commissioner Heckman seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The March 1, 2001 minutes were amended to reflect the presence of Commissioner Beckner at the meeting. Commissioner Magoon also requested a correction on page 3, -second paragraph. He noted that the sentence: "Mr. Ford replied that the new locations have been reviewed with the homeowner's associations, should be changed to "will be reviewed by the homeowner's associations".

On motion made by Vice Chairman Sagert and seconded by Commissioner Heckman, the March 1, 2001 minutes were approved as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Upper Camelback Wash Multi-Use Path

Amy MacAulay provided a brief presentation and distributed handouts to the Commissioners. She gave an overview of the location and status of the existing multi-use path, and noted that there is currently a three-mile gap in the pathway system between Shea Boulevard and Redfield/96th Street. Ms. MacAulay explained that the project has been split into two phases as indicated on the bond list. She also reviewed several of the pending major projects and answered Commissioners' questions.

NEW BUSINESS

Civic Center Senior Center Replacement-Timing Modification

Bill Exham discussed the request for the timing modification. He stated that in every public meeting held to examine uses for the Smitty's Center, the senior center has been consistently mentioned. He added that in the handouts, reference is made to a multi-use center, or multi-generational center, which means that there might be space added for other uses, such as a citizen service center. Mr. Exham pointed out that lack of space, on-site parking and need for a larger multi-use room were areas of deficiency at the existing senior center. He stated that staff would appear before City Council on May 14 with a recommended scenario. Mr. Exham indicated that he anticipates that City Council will give staff direction to go forward; hence the request to move up the project.

Mr. Exham outlined the basic distribution of the funding, adding that it is anticipated that any type of development on the site would pay for its portion and thus enable reimbursement of the Economic Stabilization Fund for the Senior

Center. He responded to a question regarding the fate of the existing senior center, and stated that several scenarios involving either the City or Scottsdale HealthCare are being considered.

Commissioner Lanin stated his concern about a relative lack of information provided to the Commission regarding the impact that each request for moving funds forward has on available cash. Commissioners Sagert and West echoed similar concerns and also mentioned property tax rate issues. A discussion ensued. Ms. Frost clarified that State law states that a municipality cannot issue bonds for this type of improvement in excess of 20% of the city's assessed valuation. She added that the City is nowhere near that figure. Mr. Klingler also added that the original commitment of the bond program to the voters was not to go above \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. He acknowledged the concern of the Commissioners and suggested including reference figures relating to the bond pool with each project or timing change. Mr. Klingler stated that staff was comfortable with its recommendations, but did recognize the necessity of providing the Bond Review Commission with more specifics.

Commissioner Sisley moved to approve the timing modification for the Civic Center Senior Center Replacement with the proviso that staff would include a status report on the bond pool with each new request. Second by Vice Chairman Sagert. The motion passed with a majority. Commissioner Lanin voted against the motion.

(Commissioners West and Maxon left the meeting at 6:00 p.m.)

Review Scenic Corridor Improvements Bond Question

Don Hadder and Tim Connor distributed informational material to the Commissioners and outlined the planned use of the authorized funding for this project. Mr. Connor observed that this project focuses entirely on Scottsdale Road and would be the largest urban design project undertaken by the City. He noted that there is an effort to combine efforts with other communities. He identified six character districts and commented that the first year will be a "gear up phase," including selection of consultant teams, defining the process and setting priorities. He also mentioned investigating funding opportunities as they arise, and partnering with other projects. Funding commitments have not yet been made.

Mr. Connor went on to describe some of the design issues and ideas, and addressed Commissioner questions. He stressed the importance of community involvement and input as the process progresses.

Review Transportation Improvements and Neighborhood Flood Control Bond Questions.

Mr. Little emphasized that the charge of the Transportation Department is to use technology to meet the ever-increasing demand for more efficient traffic flow, and not simply to add more pavement. He reviewed the transportation and drainage projects funded from the Bond 2000 election as follows:

1. Bus Bay Program
2. Bus Fueling Facility Grant Match
3. Buses: Expansion
4. Cactus Road – Freeway to Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd.
5. Hayden Road – Cactus to Redfield
6. Hayden Road – Deer Valley to Pinnacle Peak
7. Hayden Road – Freeway to Thompson Peak Parkway
8. Neighborhood Traffic Management
9. Pedestrian Enhancements
10. Pinnacle Peak – Scottsdale to Pima
11. Scottsdale Road – Dynamite to Carefree Highway
12. Scottsdale Road – Frank Lloyd Wright to Freeway
13. Stormwater Drain Pollution Markers

The Commissioners discussed the projects and addressed questions and comments to Mr. Little.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments made.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Chairperson Phillips-Garcia thanked those who had made presentations. She noted that the next regularly scheduled meeting would be held on July 5, 2001.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the regular meeting of the Scottsdale Citizens Bond Review Commission was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

“For the Record” Court Reporters